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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application No. 09/881,218

Filing Date June 13, 2001

First Named Inventor Liu et al.

Art Unit 2872

Examiner Name Pritchett, Joshua L.

Attorney Docket No. 42390P11429

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See instruction sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** - Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
 - a. Previously submitted If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 25, 2004. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
 - b. Enclosed 07/14/2004 AWONDAF1 00000091 09881218

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 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. Other _____
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-2666
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 - b. Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 enclosed
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Liu et al.) Examiner: Pritchett, Joshua L.
Application No.: 09/881,218) Art Unit: 2872
Filed: June 13, 2001)
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
TUNING A BRAGG GRATING IN A)
SEMICONDUCTOR SUBSTRATE)

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AMENDMENT & RCE

Sir/Madam:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed June 17, 2004, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks. A Request for Continued Examination is submitted herewith.



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In re the Application of: Liu et al. (inventor(s))

Application No.: 09/881,218

Filed: June 13, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TUNING A BRAGG GRATIN

(title)

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SIR: Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment & RCE** for the above application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

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